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In re Application of: John Richard Skerrett et al.

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Serial No.: 09/776,395

Examiner: Butler, Michael E.

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Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed March 19, 2002, Applicants elect as required certain Species for examination and respectfully request consideration of the remarks that follow.

**ELECTION OF SPECIES**

In the Office Action, election between a first Species as exemplified in Figs. 1-3 and a second Species as exemplified in Figs. 7-9 was required. Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Species I for initial prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute subsequently any non-elected claims or non-elected Species without prejudice or disclaimer.

Applicants submit that Species I has at least claims 1-8 being readable thereon. Species II has at least claims 1 and 17-24 being readable thereon. Applicants thus submit that Independent

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claim 1 is generic to both Species I and Species II.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at his convenience should he have any questions regarding this matter or to resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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